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We have a fine assortment of type and make every job of printing in the most perfect manner. Commercial printing, a specialty. We must order from a business man of Ponoka and surrounding country and guarantee prompt delivery and satisfaction.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We invite correspondence on all matters of general interest, but the material must be sent to the editor, and not to the publisher. Correspondents are asked to send their names and addresses, and to sign their articles. The editor reserves the right to reject or to edit any article, and to use any material in any form.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements must be sent to the publisher, and not to the editor. Advertisements must be paid for in advance, and must be sent to the publisher at least one week before the date of publication.

A LITTLE HISTORY.

In view of the fact that the approaching federal election campaign must be largely one of education in this part of the Dominion (at least) and in view of the further fact that this paper has decided to support the present government and the Liberal party, we have thought it wise to prepare a short sketch of the history of the Liberal party in Canada.

Most of our readers are aware that the northern half of the continent was originally settled by the French. Their first successful settlement was made at Quebec in 1608, although they had made a rather unsuccessful attempt to colonize at Nova Scotia and New Brunswick about the same time.

into the Dominion of Canada, in 1867, the principal of responsible government has been fully conceded, hence the first great point of difference between the parties has been the question of the Pacific. The first attempt at a trans-continental railway was made in 1871, and the first attempt at a trans-continental railway was made in 1871, and the first attempt at a trans-continental railway was made in 1871.

The governor general then called upon Alexander Macdonald, leader of the Liberal party, to form a government and in the general election which immediately followed he was returned to power with a very large majority. During the five years of his administration, voting by ballot was substituted for the old system of open voting, the Supreme Court of Canada was established and the Canadian Pacific railway undertaken as a public work. The later years of this period were a time of great financial and industrial depression, which the Conservative party proposed to remedy by a policy of high protection. On this basis the election of 1878 was fought, with the result that Sir John and his party were again returned to power. Sir John died in 1891, but the party remained in power till 1896. This takes us up to 1896. Since that date the development of the Dominion has been very great. In succeeding issues the Herald will have more to say about these lines.

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Items of Interest Picked Up Around

Mrs. W. G. McInyre is visiting in Strathecona.

D. Bebrna is out from his place beyond Buffalo.

Henry Dick is reported seriously ill at his father's residence.

Miss Maggie Stewart, of Concord is spending the week at Dick's.

F. C. Case returned Monday to a few week's outing at Banff.

M. S. I. B. Loewen went to Wetaskiwin Saturday in response to a message advising her of the death of her brother's daughter there.

W. B. Stontenberg started out the first of the week canvassing for the New Goodrich sewing machines and sewing machine repairs.

The building in which the HERALD is located is soon to be heated by a celebrated Sunshine furnace. Our landlord, A. Reid, is having one installed by W. H. Spackman this week.

The meetings which were held very successfully all last week, are being continued this week in the Methodist church. The three ministers are sparing no effort to make these meetings interesting.

American silver in Edmonton and Strathecona is now subjected to a 20 per cent discount by the banks, postoffice, express companies and merchants. The coffers of the churches will now no doubt receive an over-supply of Uncle Sam's dimes.

January 26th has now been set on the day Ernest Cashel will hang—if they catch him. His whereabouts remains as big a mystery as ever. His brother John will be tried before the supreme court next Tuesday on the charge of assisting Ernest to escape.

Herb Simons, of the Blindman, went to Edmonton last week after a saw mill which the Simons Bros. have purchased. They will set it up on the Blindman where they are assured some 300,000 feet of sawing. He will arrive with the mill tomorrow or Monday.

For three days this week the railroad sold tickets for one fare for round trip, good for three months. Several of our people, who had heard there were better places than this, but who doubted it, took advantage of these rates to go and see. They'll be back in the three months.

Henry Loveless, son of G. L. Loveless, east of town, was taken to Edmonton Tuesday for treatment for dropsy. He has been sick for the past three months. It is hoped he may receive treatment that will restore him to health, as his illness is especially unfortunate for his parents.

With the good weather extending now into the middle of January our winter is considerably shortened and even with rough weather from now on, our winter will be much shorter and less disagreeable than that in many other points. The backbone of Alberta's winter is now broken.

J. C. Crome, for several years manager of the Winnipeg branch of the Toronto Type Foundry Co., from whom the most of our unfortunate mortals who conduct western Canada newspapers have purchased our outfits, has secured his business connection with that firm and has taken over the management of the Western Printers' Supply Co.

A fistic encounter not exactly according to Marquis of Queensbury rules, between Al Cole and Fred Hunt while threshing on Pigeon Creek last week resulted in Mr. Cole being brought before his majesty's J. P., C. D. Algar, last Friday. After hearing the evidence of several witnesses, the magistrate let the accused down as light as possible—\$1 and costs.

Through the courtesy of the publishers of the Farmers' Advocate, Winnipeg, in lending us the cuts we are enabled to present our readers this week with a couple of photographs, one of the Indians in Ponoka last July and one of grain grown by C. R. Kirk on the farm of John Rathbun. The photos of both were the work of Photographer Milne.

W. J. Milne, hotel Waskiwin on business the first of the week.

There are several cases of scarlet fever reported around town.

Andy Reid is putting a large addition to his building on Donald avenue.

The fine weather of the past several weeks caught cold yesterday. The day was cold and somewhat on the blustery order. Last night was a cold.

The village school board met last evening. The business of the old board was finished up and W. N. Shafft took his seat as successor to Jos. Stretch. C. C. Reed was elected secretary-treasurer.

As we go to press Uncle David Wing continues to linger at death's door. He has been very low indeed for the past two weeks and during all this time his friends have been expectant of the end at any time. For over a week now he has taken no nourishment.

Fisher & Sage, of Armstrong, B. C., have an ad in this issue calling attention of emigrants to the "Land of the Big Red Apple." This firm is one formerly in business in Ponoka and are well known to the settlers in this part of Alberta.

Before C. D. Algar, J. P., yesterday was arraigned W. L. Johnson on a charge of assault laid by N. McEwen, the result of a fistic encounter between these two men on last Friday. Upon motion of the informant the case was adjourned to next Monday to enable him to procure counsel.

The auction sale of the chattels of Geo. Peskewitz last Tuesday was attended by a good crowd and Auctioneer Shafft succeeded in getting good prices on the average, for everything offered. The cows sold for from \$30 to \$38; heifers \$22 to \$25; calves \$11.50 to \$13. The team brought \$10 and \$69 respectively. The farm advertised to be sold at auction was bid in at \$1000.

The weather so far this winter has been unusually pleasant in Alberta. Building operations are daily carried on by men in shirt sleeves. All kinds of outdoor work is proceeded with under very favorable conditions. Stock so far have grazed for their living in preference to feeding on hay and straw stacks. As a result there is an abundance of feed throughout the district for all requirements before the pasture season opens.

Next Wednesday evening at Strathecona occurs the nominating convention for the federal electoral district of Strathecona. This constituency extends from and including Strathecona on the north to near Penhold on the south. The men so far mentioned as possible candidates before the convention are A. C. Rutherford, M. L. A., of Strathecona, K. S. Rosenroll, M. L. A., of Wetaskiwin, C. D. Algar, of Ponoka, Peter Tallot, M. L. A., of Lacombe, and John T. Moore, of Red Deer. At this time it is impossible to conjecture who will be the successful aspirant, as his selection will be wholly in the hands of the delegates to the convention. Either of the above mentioned gentlemen would be worthy of the confidence of the people and might well be chosen as the standard bearer of the party. The Conservative nominee is O. E. Bush, of Strathecona, who is spoken of by members of both parties as a strong candidate.

Annual School Meeting.

The annual school meeting of the Ponoka public school district, No. 423, was held last Monday for the election of a successor to Jos. Stretch as a member of the board and the reception of the annual report of the treasurer and teachers. There was little rivalry manifested in the selection of a trustee. F. J. Purdy was nominated by L. J. Dodd, and W. N. Schafft by C. D. Algar, seconded by Eugene Rhian. At the end of the half hour allowed for nominations, the chairman announced that since the nomination of Mr. Purdy had not received a second, Mr. Shafft was declared elected without the necessity of a ballot.



Group of Cree Indians in native costume at Ponoka July 16, 1903. Flying presented to the committee of business men who visited them. At the request of the Indians the committee were included.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Of the Ponoka School District for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1903.

As all our readers of the Ponoka district are interested and only a few were present at the annual meeting we append here the financial statement of the Ponoka public school district, as shown by the treasurer's annual report:

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, '02.	\$277 06
Taxes collected	850 85
Taxes collected arrears....	92 10
Government grant.....	491 73
Pupils' fees.....	22 00
Borrowed by note.....	1065 00
Rent of old school prop'ty.	24 00
Rent of school hall	120 50
Refund teachers overpaid...	7 50
Total,	\$2,950 74
EXPENDITURES.	
Teachers salaries.....	\$1,222 50
Officers salaries.....	50 00
Debt payment	816 00
Paid on notes.....	255 50
Repairs to school house...	93 00
School grounds.....	125 20
Furniture.....	247 50
Supplies.....	52 70
Caretaking.....	25 00
Fuel.....	48 00
Refunded to band for rent.	17 00
Collecting.....	6 25
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We also carry—
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R.W. McKinnon

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Smoke Seal of Alberta, clear Havana Cigar, Home Industry.
A. J. LORMOR, Salesman

Bread for sale at the Confectionery store.

Remember you get two papers for \$1 by paying in advance.

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To insure prompt insertion, please send advertisements of business to be inserted in not later than noon on the day preceding.

A LITTLE HISTORY.

In view of the fact that the approaching federal election campaign must be largely one of education in this part of the Dominion at least, and in view of the further fact that this paper has decided to support the present government and the Liberal party, we have thought it wise to prepare a short sketch of the history of the Liberal party in Canada.

Most of our readers are aware that this northern half of the continent was originally settled by the French. Their first successful settlement was made at Quebec in 1608, although they had made a rather unsuccessful attempt to colonize Nova Scotia and New Brunswick before that time.

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into the Dominion of Canada, in 1867, the principal of responsible government has been fully conceded, hence the first great point of difference between the parties has been almost entirely lost. During the first parliament of the Dominion, the Liberal and Conservative parties were represented by their respective members under the leadership of Sir John A. Macdonald. When Sir John A. Macdonald came into the confederation in 1871, she stipulated that a railroad should be built to connect her with the eastern provinces. At the signing of 1872 a company, with Sir Hugh Allan as president, was chartered to construct the Canadian Pacific railway. In the autumn of the same year a general election was held and during the succeeding session of parliament it was proved that Sir Hugh Allan had paid Sir John Macdonald and some of his colleagues large sums of money to help them to win the late election. The exposure of this corruption, Pacific scandal is called - wreck of the Conservative government and Sir John resigned.

The government general then called upon Alexander Macenzie, leader of the Liberal party, to form a government and in the general election which immediately followed he was returned to power with a very large majority. During the five years of his administration voting by ballot was substituted for the old system of open voting, the Supreme Court of Canada was established and the Canadian Pacific railway undertaken as a public work. The later years of this period were a time of great financial and industrial depression, which the Conservative party proposed to remedy by a policy of high protection. On this issue the election of 1878 was fought, and his party were again returned to power. Sir John died in 1891, and his party remained in power till 1896. This takes us up to 1896. Since that date the development of the Dominion has been very great. In no uncertain terms the Herald will have time to say about these times.

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20 per cent off All Felt Shoes.

Although the season is getting advanced, we still have a good range of the above goods to show you, and while they last they will be sold at a reduction of 20 per cent.

Heavy Rubbers and Sox.

Some extra good values in this line of Gootwear. There are snaos for everybody in our Boot and Shoe Department, which will not last long. Take a look through and see what you want.

"The Busy Store on the Corner"

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We are Now Ready

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We will be pleased to show you our
 BEDSTEADS, COUCHES, SPRINGS, MATTRESSES,
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 CHAIRS, ROCKERS, ETC.

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For Trade

A five room cottage on Van
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 Has city water, barn, coal shed,
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 for \$12 and clear of encumbrance.
 Address 1180, N. Y. L. Bldg.,
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H. G. HOARE

D. D. S.

Will be at his office in
 Ponoka the first Fri-
 day and Saturday in
 each month and all
 week beginning with the
 THIRD MONDAY.

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How about a Winter
 Suit or a new pair of
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 Leduc,
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 Write me for repairs, needles, oil, etc.

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The Latest Styles in Trained Hats and Kneek-a-Bouts.
 Working Hats \$1 up. Trimmed Hats \$1.50 up.
 Ladies' Skirts, Blouses, Children's Coats, Hoods, etc.
 Great Bargains in These Goods for One
 Month Only.
 Trimming Free when Hats are bought here.
 In Old Herald Place.

Oil Paintings

A Snap.

A Full Line of Groceries, Confectionery, etc., at
 Highest Prices paid for Furs.

FRANK J. PURDY,

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Coast Lumber.

S. S. MOULDINGS,
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 GOOD GOODS WILL ALLOW.
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Met

Mrs. W. G. McIntyre is visiting in Strathcona.

D. Debra is from his place in Buffalo.

Henry Dick is reported seriously ill at his father's home.

Miss Maggie is at Concord in spending the week in Dick's.

P. C. Case returned Monday to a few week's outing at Banff.

M. L. B. Loewen went to Wetaskiwin Saturday in response to a message advising her of the death of her brother's daughter there.

W. B. Stantenberg started on the first of the week canvassing for the New Goodrich sewing machines and sewing machine repairs.

The building in which the **Hen** is located is soon to be heated by a celebrated Sunshine furnace.

Our landlord, **A. Reid**, is having one installed by **W. H. Spackman** this week.

The meetings which were held very successfully all last week, are being continued today in the Methodist church. The three minutes are showing no effort to make the meetings interesting.

American silver in Edmonton and Strathcona is now subjected to a 25 per cent duty by the banks.

Merchants, express companies and warehousemen. The efforts of the churches will now not do much to receive an over-supply of Uncle Sam's dimes.

On January 20th has now been on the day Ernest Cashe will hang if they catch him. His whereabouts remains as big a mystery as ever.

His brother John will be tried before the supreme court next Tuesday on the charge of assisting Ernest to escape.

Herb Simons, of the Blindman, went to Edmonton last week after a new suit which the Simons Bros. have purchased. They will not let it up on the Blindman where they are assured some 300,000 feet of sawing. He will arrive with the mill tomorrow or Monday.

For three days this week the railroad sold tickets for one fare for round trip, good for three months. Several of our people who had heard there were better places than this, but who doubted it, took advantage of these rates and see. They'll be back in the three months.

[**Henry Lovelace**, son of G. L. Lovelace, east of town, was taken to Edmonton Tuesday for treatment for dropsy. He has been sick for the past three months. It is hoped he may receive treatment that will restore him to health, as his illness is especially unfortunate for his parents.

With the good weather extending now into the middle of January our winter is considerably short, and even with rough weather from now on, our winter will be much shorter and less disagreeable than that in many other points. The lack of Alberta's winter is now broken.

J. C. Crane, for several years manager of the Winnipeg branch of the Toronto Type Foundry Co., from whom the most of our unfortunate mortals who conduct western Canada newspapers have purchased our outfit, has severed his business connection with that firm and has taken over the management of the Western Printers' Supply Co.

A little encounter not exactly according to Marquis of Queensberry rules, between Al Cole and Fred Hunt while thrashing on Pigeon Creek last week resulted in Mr. Cole being brought before his majesty's J. P. C. D. Alagar last Friday. After hearing the evidence of several witnesses the magistrate let the accused down as light as possible—\$1 and costs.

Through the courtesy of the publishers of the Farmers' Advocate, Winnipeg, in lending us the cuts we are enabled to present our readers this week a collection of photographs, one of the Indians in Ponoka last July and one of grain grown by C. R. Kirk on the farm of John Rathbun. The photos of both were the work of **Photographer Milne**.

W. J. Milne visited Waskiwin in business the first of the week.

There is a severe case of court fever reported in and coming from Andover.

Andover is just in a large condition to his building in Donald avenue.

The fine weather of the past several weeks caught cold yesterday. The day was cold and somewhat on the blustery order. Last night was a cold.

The village school board met last evening. The business of the board was finished up and **W. J. Milne** took his seat as successful.

Jos. Strutch, C. C. Reed was elected secretary-treasurer.

As we go to press Uncle David Wing continues to linger at death's door. He has been very low indeed for the past two weeks and during all this time his friends have been expected to see him at any time. For over a week now he has taken no nourishment.

Fisher & Sage, of Armstrong, B. C., have an end in this issue calling attention of emigrants to the "Land of the Big Red Apple." This firm is one formerly in business in Ponoka and are well known to the settlers in this part of Alberta.

Before **C. D. Alagar**, J. P., yesterday was arranged **W. L. Johnson** on a charge of assault laid by **N. McEwen**, the result of a fight between the two men on last Friday. Upon motion of the informant the case was adjourned to next Monday to enable him to procure counsel.

The auction sale of the chattels of **Geo. Peskewitz** last Tuesday was attended by a good crowd and **Anderson** succeeded in getting good prices on the average, for everything offered. The cows sold for from \$30 to \$38; heifers \$22 to \$25; calves \$15 to \$18. The lot brought \$20 and \$20 respectively.

The farm advertised to be sold at auction was bid in at \$1000.

The weather so far this winter has been unusually pleasant in Alberta. Building operations are being carried on by men in shirt sleeves. All kinds of outdoor work is proceeding with much very favorable conditions. Stock so far have grazed for their living in preference to feeding on hay and straw stacks. As a result there is an abundance of feed throughout the district for all requirements up to the pasture season opens.

Next Wednesday evening at Strathcona occurs the nominating convention for the federal electoral district of Strathcona. This constituency extends from and including Strathcona on the north to near Ponoka on the south. The first of the nominees to be named are as follows: **C. D. Alagar**, **C. R. Reed**, **M. L. A. of Wetaskiwin**, **C. D. Alagar**, **J. C. Crane**, and **John T. Moore**, of Red Deer. At this time it is impossible to conjecture who will be the successful aspirant, as his selection will be wholly in the hands of the delegates to the convention. Either of the above mentioned gentlemen would be worthy of the confidence of the people and might well be chosen as the successful nominee of the party. The Conservative nominee is **O. E. Bush**, of Strathcona, who is spoken of by members of both parties as a strong candidate.

Annual School Meeting.

The annual school meeting of the Ponoka public school district No. 423, was held last Monday for the election of a successor to **Jos. Strutch** as a member of the board and the reception of the annual report of the treasurer and teachers. These were little rivalry manifested in the selection of a trustee.

P. J. Purdy was nominated by **L. J. Dodd**, and **W. N. Schiff**, and **C. D. Alagar**, seconded by **Kingdon**.

At the end of the half hour allowed for nominations, the chairman announced that since the nomination of **Mr. Purdy** had received a second, **Mr. Schiff** was declared elected without the necessity of a ballot.



Group of Cree Indians in native costume at Ponoka July 16, 1913. Flying from their sticks are dollar bills presented to the committee of business men who visited them on their reserve. At the request of the Indians the committee were included in the photo.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Of the Ponoka School District for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1903.

As all our readers of the Ponoka district are interested and only a few were present at the annual meeting we append here the financial statement of the Ponoka public school district as shown by the treasurer's annual report:

ASSETS.

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FOR SALE

For Sale
Twelve tons of good hay at a bar.

For Sale
Good used clothing and full size.

For Sale
House and lot on Chipman avenue and two corner lots on Donald avenue.

For Sale
720 acres three miles from Ponoka to rent, 100 acres broken, 12 acres in corn, 100 under fence. For terms call on.

For Sale
One pair of horses about 8 years old, light about three thousand pounds, one black work team. One heaviest up place 11 miles south of town.

For Sale
One new five Peck well auger, can use 18, 24 and 30 inch holes; also have a few rubber-tired **Herford** cattle trucks. Address: **H. ORR, Wetaskiwin, Alta.**

For Sale
Ten tons for assessing Ponoka's fuel oil district for the year 1904 will be received at the office of the secretary up to the evening of the 25th last; the right to reject any and all bids reserved. As soon as the done it comes by order of the Board of Trustees, Jan. 15, 1904.

Schools for Judging Live Stock.

The territorial department of agriculture is arranging to hold a series of meetings of a new character that should prove very popular. They will take the nature of schools where horses, cattle, sheep, swine will be brought before the audience and desirable and undesirable points noted. The scores will be explained and used in judging and handling animals. Experiments have been suggested as tests and lantern slides will be used at the evening meetings to illustrate typical and faulty conformation, as well as noted animals of famous breeds.

Every young man on the farm should arrange to attend these meetings as it is very essential to have a correct idea of the proper type of animal to breed and where can be gained this knowledge so thoroughly and quickly as by attending one of these schools. No fee will be charged; all meetings will be open to everybody. Schools will be held at Edmonton on January 24th and 25th, and Lacrosse January 28th and 29th. Don't miss them.

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F. Fendleton, Proprietor.
all Line of Fresh and Salt Meats Always on hand. Careful Attention to all Orders whether Large or Small.
Everything Neat and Clean.

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The Work of a Jeweler

Repairs all and cleanses at all times.
A "diamond" Jeweler cannot give satisfaction to his customers even though his Prices may be low.

I Guarantee Satisfactory Work at Lowest Possible Prices.

Harvey Creighton.
Opposite Canadian Bank of Commerce.

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Will and Improved Farms, Houses, Town and City Lots. Loans from 5% per Year Up.

PONOKA, ALBERTA.

Pumps

Anderson Duct-Irrigating Pumps

I am going for several months of pump-irrigation, and have a number of pumps on hand. Anderson Duct-Irrigating Pumps, guaranteed and guaranteed. These pumps are completely different from others in construction and principle as they have no suction valve to wear out.

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The City Livery

RAY & BECK, Proprietors

Having purchased the City Livery of P. C. Case, we invite a share of the public patronage and will endeavor to merit the good will of the public.

Dray in Connection.
Our Motto—"PROMPT SERVICE AND LOW PRICES."

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THE BRIGHTEST PAPER in the West for the rest.

We want a boy in every town to sell our paper. Boys here is our proposition. Send us your name and we will start you in business. Do so at once. Address—

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